

# Identity Theft Consumer Complaint Data Louisiana

**January 1 - December 31, 2009** 



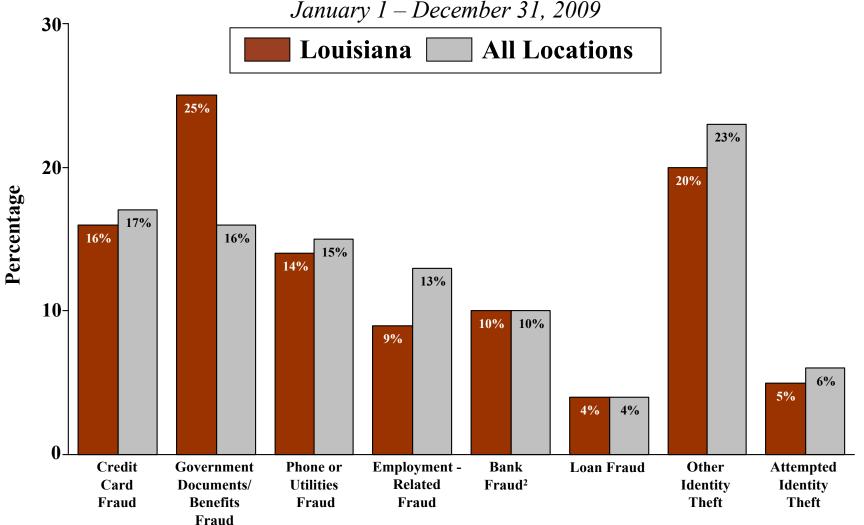
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# Figure 1 How Consumers' Information Is Misused<sup>1</sup>







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## Figure 2

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Credit Card Fraud	Louisiana	All Locations	Bank Fraud <sup>2</sup>	Louisiana	All Locations
Theft Subtype	Percentages	Percentages Theft Subtype		Percentages	Percentages
New Accounts	10.0%	10.2%	Electronic Fund Transfer	4.6%	4.4%
Existing Account	6.3%	7.0%	Existing Accounts	3.3%	3.1%
Total	16%	17%	New Accounts	2.5%	3.1%
			Total	10%	10%
<b>Government Documents or Benefits Fraud</b>	Louisiana	All Locations	Loan Fraud	Louisiana	All Locations
Theft Subtype	Percentages	Percentages	Theft Subtype	Percentages	Percentages
Tax or Wage Related Fraud	21.7%	12.7%	Business / Personal / Student Loan	2.9%	1.8%
Government Benefits Applied For/Received	2.2%	1.7%	Auto Loan / Lease	0.8%	1.2%
Other Government Documents Issued/Forged	0.7%	1.1%	Real Estate Loan	0.7%	1.1%
Driver's License Issued/Forged	0.7%	0.9%	Total	4%	4%
Total	25%	16%	Other Identity Theft	Louisiana	All Locations
			Theft Subtype	Percentages	Percentages
<b>Phone or Utilities Fraud</b>	Louisiana	All Locations	Uncertain	8.3%	9.0%
Theft Subtype	Percentages	Percentages	Miscellaneous	6.5%	8.3%
Utilities - New Accounts	8.1%	8.2%	Evading the Law	1.4%	1.4%
Wireless - New Accounts	4.9%	4.6%	Medical	1.4%	1.3%
Telephone - New Accounts	1.8%	2.0%	Internet / Email	0.9%	1.2%
Unauthorized Charges to Existing Accounts	0.5%	0.6%	Apartment or House Rented	0.9%	0.7%
Total	14%	15%	Insurance	0.2%	0.3%
			Child Support	0.1%	0.2%
			Magazines	0.2%	0.2%
<b>Employment-Related Fraud</b>	Louisiana	All Locations	Bankruptcy	0.2%	0.1%
Theft Subtype	Percentages	Percentages	Property Rental Fraud	0.1%	0.1%
Employment-Related Fraud	9%	13%	Securities / Other Investments	0.1%	0.1%
			Total	20%	23%

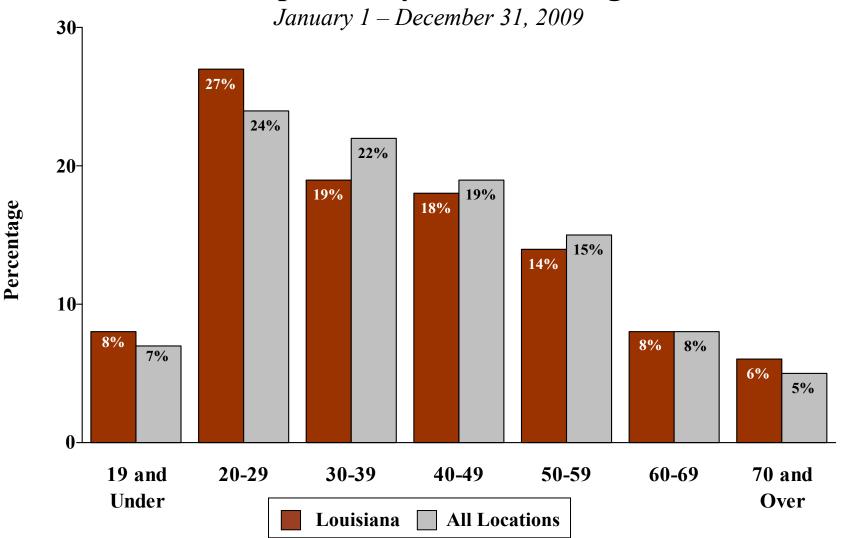
<b>Attempted Identity Theft</b>	Louisiana	All Locations
Theft Subtype	Percentages	Percentages
Attempted Identity Theft	5%	6%

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# Figure 3 Complaints by Consumer Age<sup>1</sup>



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### Figure 4a

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# Identity Theft Complaints by State (Per 100,000 Population)<sup>1</sup>

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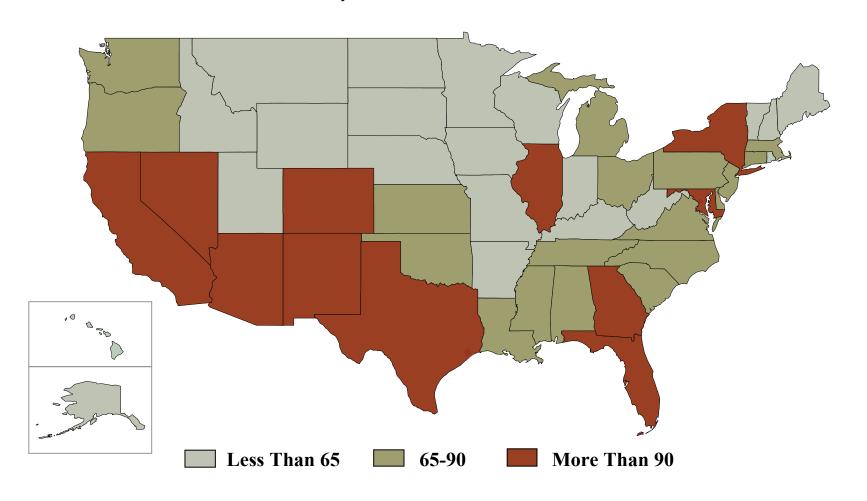
		Complaints				Complaints	
		Per 100,000	Number of			Per 100,000	Number of
Rank	Consumer State	Population	Complaints	Rank	Consumer State	Population	Complaints
1	Florida	122.3	22,664	26	Kansas	67.6	1,906
2	Arizona	119.4	7,875	27	Oregon	67.5	2,583
3	Texas	116.4	28,844	28	South Carolina	67.3	3,070
4	California	114.2	42,209	29	Ohio	65.2	7,525
5	Nevada	106.0	2,802	30	Indiana	64.8	4,163
6	New Mexico	98.0	1,969	31	Arkansas	64.4	1,862
7	Georgia	97.2	9,556	32	Missouri	64.3	3,850
8	New York	96.7	18,906	33	Rhode Island	63.8	672
9	Colorado	95.0	4,775	34	Utah	62.4	1,738
10	Illinois	93.8	12,113	35	Minnesota	54.6	2,877
11	Maryland	91.8	5,232	36	Nebraska	52.2	938
12	New Jersey	84.5	7,361	37	Wyoming	49.2	268
13	Delaware	81.9	725	38	Wisconsin	49.1	2,777
14	Pennsylvania	78.4	9,887	39	Idaho	48.8	755
15	Washington	77.2	5,145	40	Kentucky	48.4	2,088
16	Connecticut	76.2	2,682	41	West Virginia	46.2	841
17	Alabama	76.2	3,586	42	Hawaii	45.1	584
18	Michigan	75.5	7,525	43	Alaska	44.8	313
19	Mississippi	73.2	2,161	44	Vermont	44.6	277
20	Virginia	72.8	5,741	45	New Hampshire	44.1	584
21	North Carolina	72.5	6,798	46	Montana	41.8	408
22	Louisiana	72.4	3,252	47	Iowa	39.2	1,179
23	Oklahoma	71.4	2,633	48	Maine	38.8	511
24	Tennessee	69.4	4,370	49	North Dakota	29.7	192
25	Massachusetts	69.0	4,551	50	South Dakota	29.1	236

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# Figure 4b Identity Theft Complaints by State (Per 100,000 Population)<sup>1</sup>

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